
223 SPEED REGULATIONS

Speed regulations should be adopted for all sections of paved highway which are under the jurisdiction of the Director, Arizona Department of Transportation; they include Interstate highways, United States numbered highways, State highways, Interstate crossovers, and Interstate frontage roads. If no speed limits are posted, ARS 28-701 establishes reasonable and prudent speeds.

The State Traffic Engineer is empowered to adopt regulations per ARS Title 28, as amended, and Delegation of Authority 97-04.

Procedure to Transcribe Speed Regulations

Speed regulations are legal and binding documents and shall be transcribed and maintained by route and milepost within the Traffic Engineering Group and sorted by Districts for the entire State highway system. The following procedure shall be used to transcribe speed regulations in a uniform and concise format:

- (1) The speed regulation file is located in the Traffic Engineering Group. The speed regulation shall identify the specific route segment, milepost limits of established speed zones, and route direction and vehicle type, where appropriate (see Figure 223-A). The speed regulation shall be prepared based on the existing speed regulation and shall incorporate the recommended changes per the signed and sealed traffic engineering study.
- (2) Changes in speed limits and/or mileposting shall be indicated with an "X". A crossed-out copy of the existing speed regulation shall be attached.
- (3) A transmittal memorandum shall be drafted from the State Traffic Engineer to the appropriate Regional Traffic Engineer, which includes the route and milepost limits to be affected. The memorandum shall indicate that the white copy with the original initials, signatures, and dates be returned to the Traffic Engineering Group; the canary copy be retained by the Regional Traffic Engineer; and the pink copy is to be used in the field. A copy of the transmittal letter also should be sent to the appropriate District Engineer and the author of the traffic engineering study.
- (4) The speed regulation, transmittal memorandum, and traffic engineering study shall be sent to the State Traffic Engineer for his review and signature (see Figure 223-B).
- (5) The speed regulation shall then be entered into the speed regulation data base.
- (6) A copy of the speed regulation and a memorandum of transmittal shall be sent to the appropriate recipients for action. The gold copy shall be filed in the speed regulation file maintained by the Traffic Engineering Group. The traffic engineering study shall be filed in the speed study file.

- (7) Upon completing the necessary signing, the installer shall sign the white copy of the speed regulation with an original signature and return it to the Traffic Engineering Group via the Regional Traffic Engineering Office.
- (8) When the original white copies are returned with original signatures, they should be reviewed for any modifications in the speed zone limits. If modifications are within allowable standards, the installation or confirmed dates shall be entered into the speed regulation data base and the original copies filed in the speed regulation file. If the modifications are not within allowable standards, a new speed regulation shall be prepared.

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Note to regional traffic office: Return white copy with original initials and date to the Traffic Engineering Group (061R).

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Pursuant to Title 28, Sections 363A.4, 701, 701.02, 702, 702.04, 703, 703.01, 703.02, 704, 706, 707, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended, and Departmental Directives, the State Traffic Engineer, is empowered to determine on the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation that any maximum speed limit is greater or less than is reasonable and safe under the conditions found to exist on any part of a State Highway, and may determine and declare a reasonable and safe maximum speed limit or varying speed limits for the location.

Pursuant to this authority, the State Traffic Engineer, determines and declares the following maximum speeds to be reasonable and safe on those sections of the Highway System set forth below:

On SR # from non-milepost description and non-milepost description for a distance of total miles statute miles.

The maximum speeds set forth are to be effective at all times, but are not intended to relieve highway users from exercising due care for actual and potential hazards then existing on such highways as set forth in Section 28-701.D., Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended, or otherwise, and reduce the speed of their vehicle accordingly to less than the maximum speeds herein set forth.

The maximum speeds established by this regulation shall be effective on the date the Arizona Department of Transportation places appropriate signs to advise highway users of these maximum speeds.

This regulation rescinds and revokes any and all previous regulations fixing maximum speed limits on those sections of the State highway herein set forth.

This regulation is adopted this _____ day of _____, 19_____, by the State Traffic Engineer.

Signature

The signs necessary to implement this regulation were installed (or) confirmed on the

_____ day of _____, 19_____, by _____
Signature

Print Name

Note to Regional Traffic Office: Return white copy with original signatures to the Traffic Engineering Group (061R).
Retain canary copy in Regional Traffic Office.
Use pink copy as field sheet.

FIGURE 223-B
SPEED REGULATION DOCUMENT